



ARTS COMMISSION

Minutes

MEETING OF:
DATE OF MEETING:
PLACE OF MEETING:

CARLSBAD ARTS COMMISSION
Thursday, Nov. 7, 2019
Council Chamber
1200 Carlsbad Village Drive
Carlsbad, CA

Call to Order

Chair Laurenn Barker called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Roll Call

Present: Commissioners Barker, Chamberlain, Jadhav, Markovits, Schmidt, Snyder & White
Absent: None
Staff and guests: Cultural Arts Manager Richard Schultz; Community Arts Coordinator Megan Gilby; Curator Karen McGuire, Community Arts Coordinator Laurette Garner; Senior Office Specialist Sandra Riggins; Senior Office Specialist Jennifer Davidson; Curatorial Assistant Nicole Bagley

Approval of Minutes

The commissioners approved the minutes of Sept. 5, 2019 (5-0-0-2 with White and Markovits abstaining).

Public Comment

Don Christiansen, a former Carlsbad Historic Preservation commissioner, spoke of his desires to see the dead eucalyptus tree or bench on Grand Ave. used for an artistic purpose due to the historic aspect of the trees.

Gary Nessim passed out a sample of ideas to turn former trees into public art and then spoke of his wishes to see the eucalyptus trees turned into public art in the Village.

2020 Arts Commission Meeting Schedule

Manager Schultz distributed the 2020 Arts Commission meeting schedule. The January meeting will be cancelled. Markovits/White (7-0-0-0) the White/Chamberlain (7-0-0-0).

Cultural Facilities Needs Assessment Update

Manager Schultz presented the results of the Cultural Facilities Needs Assessment as it was presented to City Council.

Commissioner Schmidt expressed interest in seeing the new city hall facility include a cultural arts facility. Commissioners asked questions regarding tourism and outdoor cultural arts/mixed usage.

Performing Arts Programs Update

Community Arts Coordinator Megan Gilby presented a recap of the 2019 TGIF Concerts in the Parks series and the Ken Waldman Artist in Residence Program.

Business Outreach Update

Commissioner White reported about the presentation to the Chamber of Commerce Board made by Manager Schultz. It was well received by the Chamber. Commissioner White had a follow up meeting with Walmart Labs who expressed interest in being involved in receiving more information about Cultural Arts Events. They would like to encourage employees to participate and volunteer in Cultural Arts.

Chair Report

Chair Barker is pleased about the efforts of the business outreach committee, artist and residency and all of the other things implemented because of the Arts & Culture Master Plan. She encouraged the other commissioners to speak out about the arts in the community as much as possible.

Cultural Arts Office Report

Manager Schultz announced that the Community Arts Grants panels will meet next week. The Community Arts Grants committee members will look at the plan before it comes before the entire Commission. Future meetings will include information regarding upcoming Gallery Exhibits, a return of the city's communications team to discuss promotion, and an arts education conference attended by Laurette Garner and the WAA Conference attended by Manager Schultz and Megan Gilby.

Commissioner Comments

Commissioners spoke of their ongoing community arts involvement and programs. Commissioner White expressed interest in adding the artistic use of historic trees to a future agenda of the Arts Commission. Manager Schultz suggested revisiting the issue when the Public Arts Coordinator position has been filled.

Adjournment

Chair Barker adjourned the meeting at 10:28 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Sandra Riggins

Sr. Office Specialist

With amendments by Jennifer Davidson